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THE MAN WITH NO HONESTY.

The business men's association of Connecticut will try to get an effective law enacted by the legislature this winter which will bring to book the men who contract bills without any intent of ever paying them.

The number of dishonest patrons who make a business of beating their living out of the business men is very much larger than is generally supposed. This movement is not made against the unfortunate debtor, but against the scoundrel who can pay but will not, and that other degenerate, who claims that the world owes him a living and who is too lazy to earn it and too senseless to care whom he robs so long as he is the gainer thereby.

The directors of the state business men's association in session at Meriden this week, says The Journal of that city, "decided to ask the general assembly to pass a bill that will make easier the collection of their just bills—or rather that will make it more difficult for the debtor to avoid them in evading the payment of their just debts. It is a move in the interest of the square deal. The only precaution to be taken is to see that the honest debtor is not treated unfairly. Certainly the business man does not desire to do this, and furthermore the members of the legislature can be relied upon to pass no measure that will work injustice to any of their constituents."

THAT DENIAL.

Connecticut is not disturbed because the house declared Gov. George L. Lilley no longer a member of that body.

Governor Lilley conducted himself according to the highest legal counsel and best judgment of the leaders of his party in this state. It was shown that he was not holding the office for himself, but in the declared interests of the people.

The public has often felt that congressional courtesy was given too much license, but in this case there was no show of courtesy, whatever. When Congressman Higgins asked that Governor Lilley's letter to him as a member of the judiciary committee explaining the situation be put on file with the resolution declaring him seat vacant, this small favor was denied. It was not necessary to put on file for the benefit of those who might be reading the records, the reason why such action was made necessary, Congressman Higgins honored himself by his endeavor to give Governor Lilley a fair deal.

So far as holding a special election is concerned, the papers of the state concur in the opinion of the attorney general that such an election is not necessary. The Court is right when it says: "The law may be 'mandatory' as has been asserted, but, if there is any penalty for failing to comply with its terms, we have yet to find what it is. Suppose that Mr. Lilley had not been elected, elected that he had been killed on the way to Washington the next month in a railroad accident. The law would have been what it is now, but nobody would have considered it anything but foolish to order a costly and annoying election to fill the vacancy for the few remaining weeks. There are mighty few weeks left as it is, and there is no reason apparent why Governor Lilley should call for a special election."

THE MEN OF THE FLEET.

This nation has reason to be proud of the officers and men who in the naval fleet have visited the ports of the principal nations of the world and made an impression for ability and orderly conduct. The commanders have all shown remarkable talent as public speakers and have been able to say the right word at the right time, and the excellent behavior of the fleet on all occasions has made friends everywhere. This mission of the fleet has been the sowing of the seed of peace instead of exciting suspicion or increasing fear among the nations. It fell to the lot of this fleet's special ships to first carry provisions to the ruined cities of the earthquake district of Italy, and this has been followed by helpful activity on the part of Admiral Walnwright and his men of the Atlantic fleet.

The American navy has distinguished itself for its good fellowship and its generosity and efficiency in time of disaster, and it has elicited from all nations expressions of regard and respect which will tell for long continued amicable relations. When the American national anthem was played by an orchestra at Massillon, last Sunday evening, in honor of Admiral Walnwright and his officers, who were present, and of our country, the whole audience rose to its feet and at its close cheered to the echo. Kindness makes for peace more than great guns—the spirit of good fellowship inhibits the spirit of war.

Let the good work go on.

MILLIONS OF ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

The government never permits itself to be short of cartridges, because it is the part of wisdom to be ready for the unexpected. The nation has just placed an order at the Frankford (Pa.) arsenal for 50,000,000 rounds of ammunition. With the constant target practice and the growing endeavor to have it greatly increased by shooting clubs, such an order as this need not even excite suspicion. The Philadelphia Times, referring to the order, says: "There need not be any talk of war in such an order. It may be that the government needs cartridges, or it may be that some time ahead occasion might arise for it to have cartridges when the time to make them was not available."

There are numerous persons who have become expert in this sort of work. They have been employed at the arsenal. Many have, from time to time, been temporarily dismissed, because there happened to be no work.

It is well in these hard times to keep the work going as much as possible, not as a matter of gratuity, but as a matter of good sense. The govern-

ment needs the cartridges—or may need them—and in times of industrial depression like those through which we have just passed, the people need the money.

WILLET'S FIRST TERM.

Congressman Willett, of Far Rockaway, New York, got into the limelight during his first term upon a carefully prepared speech against Roosevelt in which was too vile for Congress in its present temper to abide, and he was called to order and silenced, and he has made an awful spectacle of himself before the country.

Congressman Willett was doubtless bent upon making for himself during his first term a national reputation, and he appears to have succeeded admirably, only he must be known as the champion mud-slinger. In order to preserve his own self-respect and to hold to itself the respect of the country, congress was forced to stop his slanderous tongue and it will honor itself when it expunges from the records this evidence of one member's lack of sense and decency. It is not likely that Congressman Willett can be kept totally silent; but it would be a good thing if the country might forget that he made such a speech, or ever existed.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Connecticut general assembly is going slow and keeping in the middle of the road.

It is difficult to tell whether Emma Goldman or Carrie Nation gets into jail the oftenest.

Professor Pearson is of the opinion that the forbears of the white race were dark-skinned.

A western justice says that the obituary is a greater curse to the country than the burglar.

This is a twentieth century winter all right. When it tries to put on an old-fashioned touch it totally fails.

The January ash heap is said to indicate that 1909 will keep right up with its predecessor for its losses.

President Roosevelt spoke sensibly to California, and then state took a rational view of its irrational plans.

Happy thought for today: The man who strives to live by working loans should not be classified as a worker.

Nine states are seriously discussing the propriety of specially taxing bachelors. What for? Is not their lot sad enough?

Senator Foraker thinks that he is out of politics for good. Considering his age, the prospect does not appear to be assuring.

A Kentucky court has decided that a husband may whistle or sing while his wife is lecturing him, but mightily few will venture to do it.

Alderman Curley presides over the board of Boston, and outside papers are shouting: "God save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts!"

Those who are reckoning upon Taft as an easy chief executive are likely to be very much disappointed. He has the courage of his convictions.

The western preacher who has announced that flirtation is harmless ought to have a good congregation of young folks on cold winter evenings.

The title of "Honorable" has been tabooed by the Oklahoma legislature. After witnessing the performances of Haskell the assembly is not to blame.

The best reason that Secretary Wilson should be kept in the agricultural department is declared to be because the meat packers have no use for him.

Between the new fines against Standard Oil and the large gifts Mr. Rockefeller is making, the price of kerosene is very likely soon to make another advance.

The latest safety appliance to trolley cars is a compressed air chamber which has force enough to blow persons off the track. Such a small cyclone might do some damage.

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

A Stiff Proposition.
According to North Norfolk physicians, the water filter recently constructed there has had this effect: The people are drinking pure water and twice as much of it as they did before. Health conditions, says one authority, have been improved 50 per cent. This sounds as though the filter would soon pay for itself, besides, the people drink freely of water are likely to drink less of something else.—Ansonia Standard.

This whole matter, as stated above, is a pretty stiff proposition. We would not question its accuracy or its authority, but if it can be established as fact, certainly it is something that cannot be made too much of, nor given too much consideration by the authorities of cities the country over. "The people are drinking pure water and twice as much of it as they did before." Health conditions have improved 50 per cent. Whatever secures the last of the changed conditions mentioned is worth all that it costs, and here is an argument for a filtration plant in connection with every public water supply in the state. Hartford needs one. New Haven has one. Bridgeport may get one, and sooner or later, however high they come, all the towns that use public water will have to have them.—Bridgeport Standard.

Sane and Practical Thing.
Gov. Woodruff admits that he was the man to act in cutting off a special congressional election after Gov. Congressman Lilley resigned. Inasmuch as it would have affected only six weeks' service, and \$25,000 was saved, it is obvious that he did the sane and practical thing by his state.—Boston Record.

Better Late Than Never.
It is to be hoped that the house will expunge from the record Congressman Willett's speech of coarse abuse of the president as this would be proper recognition of the dignity of that body. Better late than never.—Waterbury American.

Deserves High Praise.
The senate deserves high praise for its vote of 11 to 10 to pay the president's salary at a respectable figure, \$100,000. If, as the result of its conflict with the house over the salaries of the vice president, the speaker and the federal judges, concessions are made by which these officials also receive respectable sums, the result will be greatly to the credit of the country.

Feels the Need of Supporting Hands.
Of our beloved state Governor Lilley says to his fellow citizens: "We want to give the best service to her that we can—you and I—and now that the responsibilities of high office are upon

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY HE'S POLITE.

"He's always polite," said the conductor to the new motorman. "I don't know where he got it from, but you can't make him no other way. He'll act like that every time you see him."

"He makes me ache all down my backbone," growled the new motorman. "When I run across a guy like that I feel like handin' him a stiff job."

"He's so kind as to tell me if I have the right time," he says. "Will you be so kind? What do you know about that?"

"It's his way," said the conductor. "He can't help it."

"I had a big notion to throw the conductor," said the motorman. "An' when I told him he says, 'Thank you ever so much.' What kind of a way is he for a conductor anyway?"

"I wonder he didn't tip his lid an' make me a bow. I hope he tries to make his running time on that."

"He's like that to all the boys," said the conductor. "An' what's more, he's polite to the passengers. He says, 'Thank you, sir' or 'Thank you, madam,' every time they hand him a fare. That's right. He's just excitin' himself an' beggin' their pardon from the loop to the barns. No, he'll never start the car until a passenger gets aboard an' he'll not get off an' help an old woman down or lift the kids out of a woman."

"He's too good for this line," said the motorman. "I'm glad he ain't on this car. Him an' me wouldn't make good partners. Does he think they're goin' to raise his wages for makin' a monkey of himself?"

"I guess not," said the conductor. "It's his way. I don't 'pose he means no harm by it. He's just excitin' himself an' beggin' their pardon from the loop to the barns. No, he'll never start the car until a passenger gets aboard an' he'll not get off an' help an old woman down or lift the kids out of a woman."

"Sure he's that way. Ain't I tellin' you? Dan Chelka made a bet once that he'd get him to say that 'wast' word. He bet Murphy the beer for the shift, but he lost. Dan started in

me, I feel more than ever the need of your supporting hands." Spoken like a true son of Connecticut. That is the spirit which will meet him in that spirit, it may be that there will be less to regret in the administration of Governor Lilley than some of the "unco guid" have feared.—New Haven Register.

Not Ousted.
Why not be correct, you scare head writers? Mr. Lilley is not ousted. A man cannot be ousted who had already deliberately resigned. The house of representatives, some of whose members doubtless wanted to kick him out, is somewhat in the position of the angry person who gathers all his strength, kicks violently, and hits—nothing.—New Haven Register.

Lucky Find of a Book.
C. P. Rhoads, a collector of rare and beautiful books, is laughing at his friend of his who grumbled at his habit of poring over dusty books at the second-hand shops. "It's a positive disgrace," he said, "that when Mr. Rhoads insisted upon stopping to

look over a lot of books selling at two and three cents. "I'm going to buy some, anyhow," said Mr. Rhoads, and, meeting his friend the following day told him that one of the dusty books he had bought for three cents was the "unco guid" Lilley than some of the "unco guid" have feared.—New Haven Register.

Snakes All Engaged.
A dejected native slouched into a drug store which bore a steady reputation in the temperance state of Georgia. "Dan," he said, "give me a little antidote."

"What's the matter, Cunnel, snake bite?" asked Daniel. "No, Dan; you'll have to give it to me 'thout no excuse. Every snake in the county's got dates ahead for a month, and I couldn't get bit."

Too Much for Him.
First Scholar—What's the 'lectrician doin' over at the schoolhouse?
Second Scholar—Puttin' in a 'lectric switch.

First Scholar—Gee muller! If they got ter do the lickin' by 'lectricity, quit."

"Nine out of ten people who have called today have been sent here by others. Sooner or later every three-half-stick man and woman in New York is bound to get here. They can't help it. After I leave New York I shall take two months' rest, and then go to London to introduce Cooper's New Discovery in England."

Among New Yorkers who have recently become enthusiasts on the subject of Cooper's medicine is George J. Scott, of No. 274 West Nineteenth street, who said Monday afternoon: "It is hard to realize that any medicine will do all that is claimed for it. I have taken all kinds of medicine for ten years and this is the first have ever found that was worth twenty cents. I have had rheumatism constantly for ten years and have spent a quarter of what I made for doctor and medicine. I might have taken so much rain water for all the good they did me. Before I had taken this Cooper's New Discovery week, I realized it was worth something. I have taken it a month and I am as well as I ever was in my life. I have no rheumatism and I feel like a horse. I feel like doing something now, where a month ago I hated to walk a block. When I first bought it I thought it was another fake, but now I know better. All the other stuff I have taken was worth nothing; this I will tell you, yes, twenty times what they ask for it."

In an interview Monday afternoon Cooper said: "I am not making any wild claims for my medicine. All it does is to stimulate the gastric juices and regulate the digestive organs, but people do not realize how splendid their health would be if only their stomachs were not languid and enfeebled by years of abuse."

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They Still Smart.

Congressman Lilley must have left those fellows down there even more severely than at first appeared, for the smarting still moves them to vengeance. The superlative process of declaring Congressman Lilley's seat in the national house vacant will doubtless operate as a healing balm to the hurts of the aggrieved statesmen, and for a special election, to fill the vacancy for the brief interval before March 4, it is not likely the state will be put to the heavy expense such an election would entail. Connecticut is capably represented in Washington, and our

efficient delegation will doubtless be able to safeguard the interests of our beloved state during the cold days of the shortest month of the year, or until Congressman-at-large-elect Tilson shall qualify.—Hartford Post.

Lilley's Message.
"Every recommendation in it, every line and every sentence, has my hearty approval," says Rollin S. Woodruff of New Haven. "It is a splendid document." Gov. Lilley will value these words of unqualified commendation from his predecessor.—Hartford Courant.

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